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Vinton, Louisiana

ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND
INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORTS

Year Ended December 31, 2005

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NIBLETT'S BLUFF PARK COMMISSION

Management's Discussion and Analysis

Within this section of the Niblett's Bluff Park Commission's (Commission) annual financial report, the Commission's management is pleased to provide this narrative discussion and analysis of the financial activities of the Commission for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005. The Commission's financial performance is discussed and analyzed within the context of the accompanying financial statements and disclosures following this section.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The Commission's assets exceeded its liabilities by \$891,616 (net assets) for the fiscal year reported.
- Total revenues of \$304,678 exceeded total expenses of \$225,396, which resulted in a current year surplus of \$79,282 compared to the prior year surplus of \$35,294.
- Total net assets are comprised of the following:
 - (1) Capital assets, net of related debt, of \$421,885 include property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation. There is no outstanding debt related to the purchase or construction of capital assets.
 - (2) Net assets of \$90,850 are restricted by constraints imposed from outside the Commission such as debt covenants, grantors, laws or regulations.
 - (3) Unrestricted net assets of \$378,881 represent the portion available to maintain the Commission's continuing obligations to taxpayers and creditors.
- At the end of the current fiscal year, unreserved net assets were 168% of total expenses and 124% of total revenues.
- Overall, the Commission continues to maintain a strong financial position and is continuing to work to improve on this financial position.

The above financial highlights are explained in more detail in the "financial analysis" section of this document.

OVERVIEW OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This Management's Discussion and Analysis document introduces the Commission's basic financial statements. The basic financial statements include: (1) government-wide financial statements, (2) fund financial statements, and (3) notes to the basic financial statements. The Commission also includes in this report additional information to supplement the basic financial statements. Comparative data is presented when available.

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Management's Discussion and Analysis (Continued)

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Commission's annual report includes two government-wide financial statements. These statements provide both long-term and short-term information about the Commission's overall financial status. Financial reporting at this level uses a perspective similar to that found in the private sector with its basis in accrual accounting and elimination or reclassification of activities between funds.

The first of these government-wide statements is the *Statement of Net Assets*. This is the government-wide statement of position presenting information that includes all of the Commission's assets and liabilities, with the difference reported as *net assets*. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Commission as a whole is improving or deteriorating. Evaluation of the overall health of the Commission would extend to other nonfinancial factors such as diversification of the taxpayer base, or the condition of Commission infrastructure in addition to the financial information provided in this report.

The second government-wide statement is the *Statement of Activities*, which reports how the Commission's net assets changed during the current fiscal year. All current year revenues and expenses are included regardless of when cash is received or paid. An important purpose of the design of the statement of activities is to show the financial reliance of the Commission's distinct activities or functions on revenues provided by the Commission's taxpayers.

Both government-wide financial statements distinguish governmental activities of the Commission that are principally supported by tax and from activities that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges.

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

A fund is an accountability unit used to maintain control over resources segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Commission uses funds to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related laws and regulations. Within the basic financial statements, fund financial statements focus on the Commission's most significant funds rather than the Commission as a whole.

The Commission has one kind of fund:

Governmental fund is reported in the fund financial statements and encompass the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, the focus is very different with fund statements providing a distinctive view of the Commission's governmental fund. These statements report short-term fiscal accountability focusing on the use of spendable resources and balances of spendable resources available at the end of the year. They are useful in evaluating annual financing requirements of governmental programs and the commitment of spendable resources for the near-term.

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Management's Discussion and Analysis (Continued)

Since the government-wide focus includes the long-term view, comparisons between these two perspectives may provide insight into the long-term impact of short-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund operating statement provide a reconciliation to assist in understanding the differences between these two perspectives.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The accompanying notes to the financial statements provide information essential to a full understanding of the government-wide and fund financial statements.

OTHER INFORMATION

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplemental information concerning the Commission's budget presentations. Budgetary comparison statements are included as "required supplemental information" for the general fund. This schedule demonstrates compliance with the Commission's adopted and final revised budget.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE COMMISSION AS A WHOLE

Over time, as year-to-year financial information is accumulated on a consistent basis, changes in net assets may be observed and used to discuss the changing financial position of the Commission as a whole.

The Commission's net assets at fiscal year-end are \$891,616. The following table provides a summary of the Commission's net assets:

	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Assets:		
Current assets	\$ 526,901	\$ 367,657
Capital assets, net	<u>421,885</u>	<u>454,989</u>
Total assets	948,786	822,646
Liabilities:		
Current liabilities	<u>57,170</u>	<u>10,312</u>
Net assets:		
Investment in capital assets	421,885	454,989
Restricted	90,850	89,859
Unrestricted	<u>378,881</u>	<u>267,486</u>
Total net assets	<u>\$ 891,616</u>	<u>\$ 812,334</u>

NIBLETT'S BLUFF PARK COMMISSION

Management's Discussion and Analysis (Continued)

The Commission continues to maintain a high current ratio. The current ratio compares current assets to current liabilities and is an indication of the ability to pay current obligations. The current ratio is 9.2 and 35.6 to 1 for 2005 and 2004, respectively. Net assets increased by \$79,282 and \$35,294 for 2005 and 2004, respectively. Note that approximately 47% and 56%, for 2005 and 2004, respectively, of the net assets are tied up in capital. The Commission uses these capital assets to provide services to its taxpayers.

The following table provides a summary of the Commission's changes in net assets:

	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Revenues	\$ 304,678	\$ 264,606
Expenses	<u>225,396</u>	<u>229,312</u>
Change in Net Assets	79,282	35,294
Beginning Net Assets	<u>812,334</u>	<u>777,040</u>
Ending Net Assets	<u>\$ 891,616</u>	<u>\$ 812,334</u>

GOVERNMENTAL REVENUES

The Commission is heavily reliant on property taxes to support governmental operations. Property taxes provided 57% of the Commission's total revenues. As a result, the general economy and the local businesses have a major impact on the Commission's revenue streams.

BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

The General Fund - The actual revenues exceeded the final budget by \$73,428 or 32% and the actual expenditures exceeded the final budget by \$9,344 or 4%.

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital assets

The Commission's investment in capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation as of December 31, 2005, was \$421,885. See Note C for additional information about changes in capital assets during the fiscal year and outstanding at the end of the year. The following table provides a summary of capital asset activity.

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Management's Discussion and Analysis (Continued)

Depreciable assets:	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Buildings	\$ 442,977	\$ 482,104
Leasehold improvements	229,120	264,003
Equipment	89,320	130,137
Construction in Progress	<u>80,716</u>	<u>45,765</u>
Total depreciable assets	842,133	922,009
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>420,248</u>	<u>467,020</u>
Book value-depreciable assets	<u>\$ 421,885</u>	<u>\$ 454,989</u>
Percentage depreciated	<u>50%</u>	<u>49 %</u>

The construction in progress are the costs for the engineering phase of the containment wall project. The main addition for the year was the "Church" property.

Long-term debt

At the end of the fiscal year, the Commission had no debt.

ECONOMIC CONDITIONS AFFECTING THE COMMISSION

Since the primary revenue stream for the Commission is property taxes, the Commission's property tax revenues are subject to changes in the economy. Since property taxes are considered an "elastic" revenue stream, tax collections are higher in a flourishing economy and are lower in a depressed economy.

On September 23, 2005 Hurricane Rita struck Southwest Louisiana causing significant damage to the District's property and its infrastructure. It is estimated that the total damage is approximately \$700,000. At this time, the amount of potential uninsured and/or unreimbursement losses sustained by the District is estimated at \$0.

CONTACTING THE COMMISSION'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Commission's finances, comply with finance-related laws and regulations, and demonstrate the Commission's commitment to public accountability. If you have any questions about this report or would like to request additional information, contact the Commission's President, Linda Mott, P.O. Box 920, Vinton, LA 70668.



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

June 29, 2006

Board of Commissioners
Niblett's Bluff Park Commission
Vinton, Louisiana

We have audited the accompanying basic financial statements of the Niblett's Bluff Park Commission, a component unit of the Calcasieu Parish Police Jury, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2005 as listed in the table of contents. These basic financial statements are the responsibility of the Niblett's Bluff Park Commission management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these basic financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the basic financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the basic financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall basic financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the basic financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Niblett's Bluff Park Commission as of December 31, 2005 and the changes in financial position for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated June 29, 2006 on our consideration of Niblett's Bluff Park Commission's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations and contracts. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

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The Management's Discussion and Analysis and the required supplemental information on pages 3 through 7 and page 28, respectfully, are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplemental information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement of presentation of the supplemental information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

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BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

GOVERNMENT-WIDE
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NIBLETT'S BLUFF PARK COMMISSION

Statement of Net Assets

December 31, 2005

ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 203,930
Receivables	303,524
Prepaid insurance	19,447
Capital assets; net	<u>421,885</u>
Total assets	948,786
LIABILITIES	
Accounts and other accrued payables	6,797
Deferred revenue	<u>50,373</u>
	57,170
NET ASSETS	
Invested in capital assets	421,885
Restricted for:	
Capital outlay	90,850
Unrestricted	<u>378,881</u>
Total net assets	<u>\$ 891,616</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

NIBLETT'S BLUFF PARK COMMISSION

Statement of Activities

Year Ended December 31, 2005

<u>Activities</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Program Revenues</u>		<u>Net Revenues (Expenses) and Changes in Net Assets</u>
		<u>Charges for Services</u>	<u>Operating Grants and Contributions</u>	
Governmental Activities:				
General government	\$ (225,396)	\$ 73,962	\$ 16,500	\$ (134,934)
		General Revenues:		
		Property taxes, net		175,043
		State revenue sharing		6,950
		Miscellaneous		27,185
		Interest		5,038
		Total General Revenues		<u>214,216</u>
		Change in Net Assets		<u>79,282</u>
		Net Assets, beginning		<u>812,334</u>
		Net Assets, ending		<u>\$ 891,616</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NIBLETT'S BLUFF PARK COMMISSION

Balance Sheet – Governmental Fund

December 31, 2005

ASSETS

	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Cash	\$ 203,930	\$ 167,820
Receivable		
Property taxes (net)	177,183	172,129
State revenue sharing	6,950	6,950
Accrued interest	1,391	550
Insurance proceeds	118,000	-
Prepaid insurance	<u>19,447</u>	<u>20,208</u>
 TOTAL ASSETS	 <u>\$ 526,901</u>	 <u>\$ 367,657</u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

Liabilities

Accounts payable	\$ 3,959	\$ 6,490
Accrued liabilities	2,838	3,822
Deferred revenue	<u>118,000</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>124,797</u>	<u>10,312</u>

Fund Equity

Fund balance		
Reserved	90,850	89,859
Unreserved - Undesignated	<u>311,254</u>	<u>267,486</u>
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	<u>402,104</u>	<u>357,345</u>

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	<u>\$ 526,901</u>	<u>\$ 367,657</u>
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NIBLETT'S BLUFF PARK COMMISSION

Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet-Governmental Fund to the
Statement of Net Assets

December 31, 2005

Total fund balance for governmental fund at December 31, 2005	\$ 402,104
Total net assets reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets is different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds. Those assets consist of:	
Capital assets, net of \$420,248 accumulated depreciation	421,885
Difference between deferred revenue on modified accrual basis versus accrual basis	<u>67,627</u>
Total net assets of governmental activities at December 31, 2005	<u>\$ 891,616</u>

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Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes In Fund Balance - Governmental Fund

Year Ended December 31, 2005

	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
REVENUES		
Ad valorem taxes, net	\$ 175,043	\$ 159,777
State revenue sharing	6,950	6,950
Camper fees	50,880	49,590
Rentals	23,082	30,876
Interest	5,038	1,482
Intergovernmental	16,500	-
Other revenues	27,185	15,931
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>304,678</u>	<u>264,606</u>
EXPENDITURES		
General government		
Advertising	2358	1,028
Care of wildlife	2,977	2,962
Fuel and oil	2,019	1,630
Insurance	45,178	46,363
Janitorial services	3,900	4,325
Miscellaneous	6,207	2,689
Pest control	1,738	2,259
Professional fees	2,800	3,895
Re-enactment	3,302	4,052
Repairs and maintenance	10,978	27,227
Salaries	64,555	58,363
Sanitation disposal	2,686	3,695
Supplies - general	2,268	2,431
Supplies - janitorial	5,487	4,746
Supplies - office	2,537	1,102
Taxes	4,549	5,177
Travel	93	441
Uniforms	116	492
Utilities	37,394	31,407
Capital outlay	58,777	71,825
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>259,919</u>	<u>276,109</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	44,759	(11,503)
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING	<u>357,345</u>	<u>368,848</u>
FUND BALANCE - ENDING	<u>\$ 402,104</u>	<u>\$ 357,345</u>

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NIBLETT'S BLUFF PARK COMMISSION

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and
Changes in Fund Balance-Governmental Fund to the Statement of Activities

Year Ended December 31, 2005

Total net changes in fund balance at December 31, 2005 per Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance	\$ 44,759
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The change in net assets reported for governmental activities
in the statement of activities is different because:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures.
However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those
assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and
reported as depreciation expense.

Capital outlay which is considered expenditures on Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance	\$ 58,777	
Depreciation expense for the year ended December 31, 2005	<u>(24,254)</u>	<u>34,523</u>

Total changes in net assets at December 31, 2005 per Statement of Activities	<u>\$ 79,282</u>
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

NIBLETT'S BLUFF PARK COMMISSION

Notes to Basic Financial Statements

December 31, 2005

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Niblett's Bluff Park Commission was created by Act 489 of 1980. The Commission consists of seven commissioners initially appointed by the Calcasieu Parish Police Jury. Successors to the original commissioners are appointed by the Commission. The Commission is authorized to develop, maintain and operate Niblett's Bluff Park.

The more significant of the government's accounting policies are described below.

1. Reporting Entity

GASB Statement No. 14 established criteria for determining the governmental reporting entity and component units that should be included within the reporting entity. For financial reporting purposes, in conformance with GASB Statement No. 14, the Niblett's Bluff Park Commission includes all funds, account groups, et cetera, that are within the oversight responsibility of the Niblett's Bluff Park Commission.

As the governing authority, for reporting purposes, the Calcasieu Parish Police Jury is the financial reporting entity. The financial reporting entity consists of (a) the primary government, (b) organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable, and (c) other organizations for which nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 14 established criteria for determining which component units should be considered part of the Calcasieu Parish Police Jury for financial reporting purposes. The basic criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is financial accountability. The GASB has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. This criteria includes:

1. Appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body, and
 - a. The ability of the Calcasieu Parish Police Jury to impose its will on that organization and/or
 - b. The potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the Calcasieu Parish Police Jury.

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Notes to Basic Financial Statements

December 31, 2005

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

2. Organizations for which the Calcasieu Parish Police Jury does not appoint a voting majority but are fiscally dependent on the Calcasieu Parish Police Jury.
3. Organizations for which the reporting entity financial statements could be misleading if data of the organization is not included because of the nature or significance of the relationship.

Based upon the application of these criteria, Niblett's Bluff Park Commission is a component unit of the Calcasieu Parish Police Jury's reporting entity.

2. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying basic financial statements of the Commission have been prepared in conformity with governmental accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The accompanying basic financial statements have been prepared in conformity with GASB Statement No. 34, "Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments", issued in June 1999.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities display information about the Commission as a whole. They include all funds of the reporting entity. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other nonexchange revenues.

The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each of the functions of the Commission's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function.

Program revenues include (a) fees and charges paid by the recipients of services offered by the Commission; and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirement of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including all taxes, are presented as general revenues.

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NIBLETT'S BLUFF PARK COMMISSION

Notes to Basic Financial Statements

December 31, 2005

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

Fund Financial Statements

The Commission uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. Fund accounting is designated to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid management by segregating transactions related to certain Commission functions and activities. A fund is defined as a separate fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts.

The Commission has one fund, the General Fund, which is therefore considered its major fund.

3. Measurement Focus/Basis of Accounting

Measurement focus is a term used to describe "which" transactions are recorded within the various financial statements. Basis of accounting refers to "when" transactions are recorded regardless of the measurement focus applied.

Measurement Focus

On the government-wide statement of net assets and the statement of activities, the activities are presented using the economic resources management focus. In the fund financial statements, the "current financial resources" measurement focus. Only current financial assets and liabilities are generally included on their balance sheets. Their operating statements present sources and uses of available spendable financial resources during a given period. These funds use fund balance as their measure of available spendable financial resources at the end of the period.

Basis of Accounting

In the government-wide statement of net assets and statement of activities, the activities are presented using the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recorded when the liability is incurred or economic asset used. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets, and liabilities resulting from exchange and exchange-like transactions are recognized when the exchange takes place.

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NIBLETT'S BLUFF PARK COMMISSION

Notes to Basic Financial Statements

December 31, 2005

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures (including capital outlay) generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting.

4. Cash

Cash includes amounts in demand deposits and time deposits with original maturities of 90 days or less. Under state law, the Commission may deposit funds in demand deposits, interest-bearing demand deposits, money market accounts, or time deposits with state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having their principal offices in Louisiana.

These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. Under state law, these deposits (or the resulting bank balances) must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent. These securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties. At December 31, 2005, the Commission has \$215,779 in deposits (collected bank balances). These deposits are secured from risk by \$100,000 of federal deposit insurance and \$115,779 of pledged securities held by the custodial bank in the name of the fiscal agent bank.

5. Budgets

A budget is adopted on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for the general fund. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year end.

On or before the last meeting of each year, the budget is prepared by fund, function and activity, and includes information on the past year, current year estimates and requested appropriations for the next fiscal year.

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NIBLETT'S BLUFF PARK COMMISSION

Notes to Basic Financial Statements

December 31, 2005

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

The proposed budget is presented to the government's Board of Commissioners for review. The board holds a public hearing and may add to, subtract from or change appropriations, but may not change the form of the budget. Any changes in the budget must be within the revenues and reserves estimated.

6. Accounts Receivable

Uncollectible amounts due for ad valorem taxes and other receivables of governmental funds are recognized as bad debts at the time information becomes available which would indicate that the particular receivable is not collectible.

7. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant and equipment are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are capitalized at historical cost or estimated cost if historical is not available. Donated assets are recorded as capital assets at their estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets' lives are not capitalized. Depreciation of all exhaustible capital assets is recorded as an allocated expense in the statement of activities, with accumulated depreciation reflected in the statement of net assets. Depreciation is provided over the assets' estimated useful lives using the straight-line method of depreciation. The range of estimated useful lives by type of asset is as follows:

Buildings	25-40 years
Leasehold Improvements	20-30 years
Equipment	5 years

In the fund financial statements, capital assets used in governmental fund operations are accounted for as capital outlay expenditures of the governmental fund upon acquisition.

8. Compensated Absences

The Commission has the following policy relating to vacation leave (there is no policy on sick leave): seven days after one year of employment, fourteen days after three years and twenty-one days after five years. Earned vacation time is expected to be used within one year of accrual.

At December 31, 2005, the Commission had no liability for accrued vacation leave.

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NIBLETT'S BLUFF PARK COMMISSION

Notes to Basic Financial Statements

December 31, 2005

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

9. Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reported period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

10. Equity Classification

In the government-wide statements, equity is classified as net assets and displayed in three components:

- a. Invested in capital assets, net of related debt – Consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.
- b. Restricted net assets – Consists of net assets with constraints placed on the use either by (1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- c. Unrestricted net assets – All other net assets that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "invested in capital assets, net of related debt".

In the fund statements, governmental fund equity is classified as fund balance. Fund balance is further classified as reserved and unreserved, with unreserved further split between designated and undesignated.

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NOTE B - AD VALOREM TAXES

For the year ended December 31, 2005 taxes of 6.19 mills were levied on property with assessed valuations totaling \$29,575,370 and were dedicated as follows:

General corporate purposes	6.19 mills
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Property tax millage rates are adopted in July for the calendar year in which the taxes are levied and recorded. All taxes are due and collectible when the assessment rolls are filed on or before November 15th of the current year, and become delinquent after December 31. Property taxes not paid by the end of February are subject to lien.

NOTE C - CAPITAL ASSETS

A summary of changes in capital assets for the year ended December 31, 2005 follows:

	<u>Beginning Of Year</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>End of Year</u>
Governmental activities:				
Buildings	\$ 482,104	\$ 20,500	\$ 59,627	\$ 442,977
Leasehold improvements	264,003	-	34,883	229,120
Equipment	130,137	3,326	44,143	89,320
Construction in Progress	45,765	34,951	-	80,716
Totals at historical cost	922,009	58,777	138,653	842,133
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings	165,990	12,146	15,927	162,209
Leasehold improvements	180,042	10,176	10,955	179,263
Equipment	120,988	1,932	44,144	78,776
Total accumulated depreciation	467,020	24,254	71,026	420,248
Governmental activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 454,989</u>	<u>\$ 34,523</u>	<u>\$ 67,627</u>	<u>\$ 421,885</u>

Construction in progress at December 31, 2005 includes the costs for the engineering phase of the containment wall project. Deletions of \$138,653 represents capital assets damaged and/or destroyed as a result of Hurricane Rita.

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NOTE D - NIBLETT'S BLUFF PARK LEASE

On September 2, 1981, the Commission leased 35 acres, known as Niblett's Bluff Park, from the Calcasieu Parish Police Jury for a period of 25 years. The Commission has the option to renew the lease for one additional period of 25 years. The Commission agreed to care for and maintain the grounds and improvements of the leased premises and to use the leased premises specifically for such activities as related to matters of recreation for the general public in the area served by the lease.

NOTE E - RISK MANAGEMENT

The Commission is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Commission maintains commercial insurance coverage covering each of those risks of loss. Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant uninsured losses to the Commission. Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

NOTE F - FUND BALANCE-RESERVED

The \$90,850 is reserved and dedicated for bulkhead improvements related to the erosion control at the park.

NOTE G - LITIGATION

In October 2003 management detected the possibility of employee theft. Through an internal investigation, it was discovered that approximately \$27,500 of rental fees for the period from July 2001 through October 2003 had not been deposited and original receipts had been altered. The District received \$10,000 from its employee theft insurance policy in 2004. Criminal charges have been accepted and a trial date has been set against the former employee to recover the remaining loss. The filing of a civil suit in the matter is pending.

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NOTE H – CONTINGENCIES

On September 23, 2005 Hurricane Rita struck Southwest Louisiana causing significant damage to the District's property and its infrastructure. It is estimated that the total damage is approximately \$700,000. At this time, the amount of potential uninsured and/or unreimbursement losses sustained by the District is estimated at \$0.

At December 31, 2005 the balance sheet is reporting an insurance receivable of \$118,000 and a deferred revenue (accrual basis) of \$50,373 representing hurricane related costs.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

NIBLETT'S BLUFF PARK COMMISSION

Budgetary Comparison Schedule – General Fund

Year Ended December 31, 2005

	<u>Budget</u> <u>Original/Final</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUES			
Ad valorem taxes, net	\$ 150,000	\$ 175,043	\$ 25,043
State revenue sharing	7,000	6,950	(50)
Camper fees	44,000	50,880	6,880
Rentals	27,000	23,082	(3,918)
Interest	100	5,038	4,938
Intergovernmental	-	16,500	16,500
Other revenues	<u>3,150</u>	<u>27,185</u>	<u>24,035</u>
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>231,250</u>	<u>304,678</u>	<u>73,428</u>
EXPENDITURES			
General government			
Advertising	1,600	2,358	(758)
Care of wildlife	3,000	2,977	23
Fuel and oil	1,500	2,019	(519)
Insurance	46,000	45,178	822
Janitorial services	5,000	3,900	1,100
Miscellaneous	2,000	6,207	(4,207)
Pest control	1,700	1,738	(38)
Professional fees	2,500	2,800	(300)
Re-enactment	5,000	3,302	1,698
Repairs and maintenance	23,775	10,078	12,797
Salaries	68,000	64,555	3,445
Sanitation disposal	4,000	2,686	1,314
Security	100	-	100
Supplies - general	1,500	2,268	(768)
Supplies - janitorial	4,000	5,487	(1,487)
Supplies - office	1,000	2,537	(1,537)
Taxes	5,100	4,549	551
Travel	500	93	407
Uniforms	300	116	184
Utilities	32,000	37,394	(5,394)
Capital outlay	<u>42,000</u>	<u>58,777</u>	<u>(16,777)</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>250,575</u>	<u>259,919</u>	<u>(9,344)</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	(19,325)	44,759	64,084
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING	<u>357,345</u>	<u>357,345</u>	<u>-</u>
FUND BALANCE - ENDING	<u>\$ 338,020</u>	<u>\$ 402,104</u>	<u>\$ 64,084</u>

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE
AND INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING
BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED
IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

June 29, 2006

Board of Commissioners
Niblett's Bluff Park Commission
Vinton, Louisiana

We have audited the financial statements of the Niblett's Bluff Park Commission, a component unit of the Calcasieu Parish Police Jury, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2005 and have issued our report thereon dated June 29, 2006. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Niblett's Bluff Park Commission's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Niblett's Bluff Park Commission's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

Niblett's Bluff Park Commission
June 29, 2006
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NIBLETT'S BLUFF PARK COMMISSION

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs

December 31, 2005

1. Summary of Auditors' Results:

- a) Auditor issued an unqualified opinion on the financial statements.
- b) No reportable conditions in internal control over financial reporting and its operation were disclosed by the audit of the financial statements.
- c) Noncompliance, which is material to the financial statements, was not disclosed by the audit of the financial statements.

2. Findings Relating to the Financial Statements Which Are Required to be Reported in Accordance with Generally Accepted Governmental Auditing Standards

None

3. Findings and Questioned Costs for Federal Awards

N/A

4. Prior Year Findings

There were no prior year findings.